

within the Committee to ensure that Congress, and the public, are fully informed as to how the FBI handled these important investigations.

Sincerely,

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
Chairman,
CHARLES E. GRASSLEY,
Senator,
ARLEN SPECTER,
Senator,
ORRIN G. HATCH,
Ranking Republican
Member,
HERB KOHL,
Senator.

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2001

Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about hate crimes legislation I introduced with Senator KENNEDY in March of this year. The Local Law Enforcement Act of 2001 would add new categories to current hate crimes legislation sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

I would like to describe a terrible crime that occurred June 4, 1996 in Santa Monica, CA. Lawrence Ford, 61, a retired stockbroker, was found beaten to death in his apartment, allegedly killed by a man who believed Ford was gay. Michael Robert Schafer, 28, was arrested and faced first-degree murder and hate crime charges.

I believe that government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act of 2001 is now a symbol that can become substance. I believe that by passing this legislation, we can change hearts and minds as well.

THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Thursday, August 2, 2001, the Federal debt stood at \$5,730,045,940,032.12, five trillion, seven hundred thirty billion, forty-five million, nine hundred forty thousand, thirty-two dollars and twelve cents.

One year ago, August 2, 2000, the Federal debt stood at \$5,656,022,578,326.22, five trillion, six hundred fifty-six billion, twenty-two million, five hundred seventy-eight thousand, three hundred twenty-six dollars and twenty-two cents.

Five years ago, August 2, 1996, the Federal debt stood at \$5,172,008,136,975.88, five trillion, one hundred seventy-two billion, eight million, one hundred thirty-six thousand, nine hundred seventy-five dollars and eighty-eight cents.

Ten years ago, August 2, 1991, the Federal debt stood at \$3,569,166,000,000, three trillion, five hundred sixty-nine billion, one hundred sixty-six million.

Twenty-five years ago, August 2, 1976, the Federal debt stood at \$623,367,000,000, six hundred twenty-three billion, three hundred sixty-seven million, which reflects a debt increase

of more than \$5 trillion, \$5,106,678,940,032.12, five trillion, one hundred six billion, six hundred seventy-eight million, nine hundred forty thousand, thirty-two dollars and twelve cents during the past 25 years.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING DR. FRED GILLIARD

• Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I want to take this opportunity to recognize a good friend of mine and a man who has committed his life to education—Dr. Fred Gilliard.

Dr. Gilliard announced this year that he will retire as President of the University of Great Falls on August 13, 2001.

I have seen first hand the impact Dr. Gilliard has had on the University of Great Falls community. Without a doubt, he was a huge success and will be missed.

Dr. Gilliard was proud of his students, staff and faculty. Not only did he understand the importance of a good, solid education, but he followed the mission of the University at work and everyday in his life. When I read the mission of the University of Great Falls, three areas, in my view, tell us who Dr. Gilliard is and what he stands for:

Character—have a positive impact on the world and on the communities in which they live and work, particularly by recognizing and accepting personal accountability to themselves, to society and to God;

Competence—further their ability to live full and rewarding lives by becoming competent working members of society who know the basics of their professional field and have access to future learning;

Commitment—find meaning in life which enables them to participate effectively in society while transcending its limitations, by living according to their own moral and religious convictions, as well as respecting the dignity and beliefs of other people.

Dr. Gilliard achieved so much during his tenure as President. From introducing the Student Service Learning Center, moving the institution from "College" to "University" status, and broadcasting classes over the Internet, to completing a successful capital campaign, completing the Jorgenson Library addition and re-starting the Argos men's and women's basketball program. These are just a few Dr. Gilliard's successes.

In early 2000, I called Fred to see if he would be interested in hosting "Montana's Economic Development Summit" at the University of Great Falls. Without hesitation he said, "yes." Since that time, Dr. Gilliard has continued to work tirelessly to help me grow Montana's economy.

I wish the best to Dr. Fred Gilliard and his wife, Berry Lynn. I know Dr. Gilliard will be spending lots of his free

time cheering for the Detroit Tigers with his grandson.

Semper Fi, Fred.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 9:31 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 208. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

At 12:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 988. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York, as the "Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse."

H.R. 2501. An act to reauthorize the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 89. A concurrent resolution mourning the death of Ron Sander at the hands of terrorist kidnappers in Ecuador and welcoming the release from captivity of Arnie Alford, Steve Derry, Jason Weber, and David Bradley, and supporting efforts by the United States to combat such terrorism.

H. Con. Res. 179. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the establishment of a National Health Center Week to raise awareness of health services provided by community, migrant, public housing, and homeless health centers.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2501. An act to reauthorize the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated: